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## NOTICE OF FILING AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

### Application of Kiawah Island Utility, Inc. to File Proposed Changes in Rates, Charges, Classifications and/or Regulations for Water and Sewer Service

#### Why is this Notice Important?

- This Notice is for water and sewer customers of Kiawah Island Utility, Inc. and interested persons.
- Kiawah Island Utility, Inc. has filed an Application for Adjustment of Rates and Charges (Increase) and Modifications to Certain Terms and Conditions for the Provision of Water and Sewer Service
- The Public Service Commission (PSC or Commission) has scheduled public hearings in this case.
- The Public Service Commission decides what rates a utility can charge.

#### **What is Kiawah Island Utility, Inc. asking the Commission to approve?**

Some of the proposed changes in the rates and charges are set forth below:  
(The complete rate schedule is available from the Company at the address below and on the Commission's website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov))

#### Residential Water Service Charges

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Base Facilities Charge			
5/8" meter	\$ 36.65/mo.	\$ 42.21/mo.	15.17%
3/4" meter	\$ 54.98/mo.	\$ 63.33/mo.	15.19%
1" meter	\$ 91.62/mo.	\$ 105.53/mo.	15.18%
1.5" meter	\$ 183.25/mo.	\$ 211.07/mo.	15.18%
2" meter	\$ 293.21/mo.	\$ 337.72/mo.	15.18%
3" meter	\$ 641.40/mo.	\$ 738.77/mo.	15.18%
4" meter	\$1,840.73/mo.	\$2,120.17/mo.	15.18%

Base Facilities Charge for water service with meters larger than 4" shall be:

Maximum recommended meter capacity (gpm) x \$42.21 per mo.  
20 gpm

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Consumption Charge All up to 11,000 gal/mo.	\$4.83/1000 gal.	\$5.08/1000 gal.	4.35%
Excess Consumption Charge #1 All over 11,000 gal/mo. and Up to 50,000 gal/mo.	\$5.37/1000 gal.	\$5.65/1000 gal.	5.21%
Excess Consumption Charge #2 All over 50,000 gal/mo.	\$5.71/1000 gal.	\$6.01/1000 gal.	5.25%

#### Sewer Service Charges

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Base Facilities Charge			
5/8" meter	\$ 28.00/mo.	\$ 30.72/mo.	9.75%
3/4" meter	\$ 42.00/mo.	\$ 46.09/mo.	9.74%
1" meter	\$ 69.99/mo.	\$ 76.80/mo.	9.73%
1.5" meter	\$ 139.98/mo.	\$ 153.60/mo.	9.73%
2" meter	\$ 223.98/mo.	\$ 245.77/mo.	9.73%
3" meter	\$ 489.95/mo.	\$ 537.61/mo.	9.73%
4" meter	\$1,514.79/mo.	\$1,662.13/mo.	9.73%



Base Facilities Charge for sewer service where water service is through meters larger than 4" shall be:  
Maximum recommended meter capacity (gpm) x \$30.72 per mo.  
 20 gpm

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Consumption Charge based on Water Usage All up to 11,000 gal./mo.	\$0.74/1000 gal.	\$0.81/1000 gal.	9.46%

To read all of the issues involved in this case, please view the full case file at <https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Web/Dockets/Detail/117972>.

### Who is the Public Service Commission (PSC)?

The PSC watches over businesses that provide necessary services for day-to-day life, such as the water and sewer service provided by Kiawah Island Utility, Inc.

What is the Case Number?	Docket No. 2021-324-WS	
Where can I find this Case on the internet?	<a href="https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Web/Dockets/Detail/117972">https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Web/Dockets/Detail/117972</a>	
Who Filed this Case?	Kiawah Island Utility, Inc.	
When and where is the <u>Customer Public Hearing</u> ?	<b>Virtual or In-Person Customer Public Hearing:</b>  <u>Morning Session: Monday, March 21, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.</u>  <u>Evening Session: Monday, March 21, 2022 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.</u>  <u>Location:</u> 101 Executive Center Drive Hearing Room Columbia, SC 29210	<b>Virtual or In-Person Customer Public Hearing:</b>  <b>AS NEEDED</b> <u>Morning Session: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.</u>  <u>Evening Session: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.</u>  <u>Location:</u> 101 Executive Center Drive Hearing Room Columbia, SC 29210
How Can I Watch the <u>Customer Public Hearing</u> ?	<b>Livestream</b> the Hearing at <a href="https://www.sctv.org/live/public-service-commission">https://www.sctv.org/live/public-service-commission</a> , -OR- <b>Call-In</b> to Listen: 1-855-797-9485, enter meeting passcode, when prompted: <b>2317 806 6099</b>	
How can I be heard and who is listening at the <u>Customer Public Hearing</u> ?  <b>***You must sign-up to speak***</b>	<b>You do not have to provide input or attend, but</b> if you would like to speak <u>before</u> the Public Service Commission makes a decision in this Case, sign-up to speak by giving the Commission: a) Your Name, and b) The Telephone Number you wish the Commission to call during the hearing to receive your testimony, and c) Your Physical Address, and d) If you would like to speak in-person or virtually. e) This information may be provided in three ways: - <b>Option 1:</b> By e-mailing <a href="mailto:communications@psc.sc.gov">communications@psc.sc.gov</a> - <b>Option 2:</b> By completing the following survey: <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LKB6XPY">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LKB6XPY</a> - <b>Option 3:</b> By calling <b>803-896-5133</b>	



<b>***Deadline to pre-register: 4:00 p.m. on 3/18/2022 ***</b>	
Please note you will be called in the order you signed up to speak. The Commission may call you at any time after the hearing begins. <b>The Commission will only try to reach you up to three (3) times.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Commission will listen to and think about your comments.</li> <li>• Commissioners shall not make comments or answer questions during this hearing or while you are testifying. (Code of Judicial Conduct, Rule 501, Canon 3)</li> <li>• Each Witness' testimony is limited to three (3) minutes, so everyone can be heard.</li> <li>• All testimony will be given under oath and is part of the proposed rate change record of the case. A Party may object to your statement and ask for it to be deleted.</li> </ul>	
When will the Commission hear the Company's case?	<b>Monday, April 4, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. This hearing is virtual unless changed by the Commission.</b>
	<b>Where:</b> 101 Executive Center Drive, Hearing Room Columbia, South Carolina 29210  <b>Livestream the Hearing at</b> <a href="https://www.sctv.org/live/public-service-commission">https://www.sctv.org/live/public-service-commission</a> .
How can I participate in the Company's case?	<b>Option 1:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• File Public Comments or Letters of Protest by emailing <a href="mailto:contact@psc.sc.gov">contact@psc.sc.gov</a></li> <li>-OR-</li> <li>• Mail Public Comments or Letters of Protest to 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100, Columbia, SC 29210</li> </ul> <b>Option 2:</b> File a Petition to Intervene to become an Intervenor. An Intervenor has the right to testify, cross-examine witnesses, and appeal the Commission's Final Decision. You may file a Petition to Intervene by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emailing <a href="mailto:contact@psc.sc.gov">contact@psc.sc.gov</a> no later than <b>Monday, February 14, 2022</b></li> <li>-OR-</li> <li>• Mailing a Petition to Intervene to 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100, Columbia, SC 29210 no later than <b>Monday, February 14, 2022</b>. Please include your email address.</li> </ul> <b>You must give a copy of your petition to intervene to all Parties in this case.</b>

\*The Case was filed according to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-5-240 and S. C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-712.4.A and 103-512.4.A.

\*\*These Hearings have been scheduled according to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-5-240 and S. C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-817.

#### Who can I talk to about this Notice?

Kiawah Island Utility, Inc.	843-768-0641
Office of Regulatory Staff	803-737-5230 or 1-800-922-1531
Department of Consumer Affairs	803-734-4200 or 1-800-922-1594
Public Service Commission	803-896-5100

**If the tariffs in this case contain a request for change of rates, the rates could be changed by the Commission in this case.**

Persons seeking further information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at **(803) 896-5100** or visit its website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov).

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